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SUBJECT:ROK EMBASSY STATEMENT ON HOUSE PL-480 VOTE

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED BY ROK EMBASSY
HERE LATE JUNE 22 FOLLOWING VOTE BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-
TIVES TO DELETE FUNDS FOR PL-480 TO KOREA BECAUSE OF
UNFILFILLED DEMANDS FOR TESTIMONY FROM FORMER AMBASSADOR
KIM DONG-JO.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

WE FIND IT REGRETTABLE THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TODAY VOTED TO CUT FOOD FOR PEACE FUND FOR KOREA BECAUSE
MY COUNTRY HAS REFUSED TO BE COERCED INTO VIOLATING
INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ORDER AND ITS DIGNITY AS A SOVEREIGN
STATE.
THIS ACTION IS PARTICULARLY REGRETTABLE IN THAT IT IGNORES
THE COOPERATION THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ALREADY HAS EXTENDED
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TO THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES OF THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN THEIR INVESTIGATION OF
ALLEGED IMPROPRIETIES. IT ALSO IGNORES THE NEGOTIATIONS
THAT WERE CONTINUING AS A SERIOUS EFFORT BY MY GOVERNMENT
TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS TO THE MUTUAL

SATISFACTION OF THE CONCERNED PARTIES.

WE WISH TO MAKE CLEAR ONCE AGAIN THAT THE POSITION OF MY
GOVERNMENT TO RENDER ITS COOPERATION CONSISTENT WITH
INTERNATIONAL LAW AND PRACTICE REMAINS UNCHANGED. HOWEVER,
IT WILL NOT VIOLATE THE PROVISIONS OF THE VIENNA
CONVENTION, WHICH IS A LAW IN FORCE BOTH IN THE
UNITED STATES AND KOREA BY VIRTUE OF THEIR BEING PARTIES
TO THIS BINDING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT, ALONG WITH
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